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SUBJECT: CUBAN ASYLUM SEEKERS

REF: (A) GUATEMALA 7489; (B) TEGUCIGALPA 5171

DELIVER AT OPENING OF BUSINESS IF RECEIVED AFTER COB

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1. WITHOUT STRONGER BASIS TO SUPPORT POSSIBILITY OF FOR-
CIBLE RETURN TO CUBA EITHER BY GOG OR GOH, IT DOES NOT AP-
PEAR LIKELY THAT PAROLE RECONSIDERATION WOULD BE GIVEN BY
INS/CO TO THEIR REQUESTS. PAROLE CONSIDERATION IS, IN
EFFECT, A LAST RESORT WHEREBY ALL OTHER ALTERNATIVES HAVE
BEEN EXHAUSTED AND THE INDIVIDUAL IS IN IMMINENT DANGER OF
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FORCIBLE REPATRIATION. WE ARE UNABLE TO CONCLUDE THAT

SUCH CONDITIONS PRESENTLY EXIST IN THIS CASE.

2. WE HAVE CONSISTENTLY HELD THE OPINION THAT ASYLUM IS THE RIGHT AND RESPONSIBILITY OF THE COUNTRY IN WHICH THE REQUEST IS MADE. WE, THEREFORE, DO NOT BELIEVE IT IS OUR RESPONSIBILITY TO ACCEPT EVERY CUBAN WHO FLEES CUBA AND SEEKS ASYLUM IN OTHER THIRD COUNTRIES. IF SUBJECTS ARE RETURNED TO HONDURAS, AMEMBASSY TEGUCIGALPA SHOULD PRESS HONDURAN AUTHORITIES TO ACCEPT RESPONSIBILITY FOR ACOSTA

AND DOMINGUEZ RATHER THAN GOH RELYING ON POSSIBILITY OF U.S. ACCORDING THEM ASYLUM.

3. WE SUGGEST THAT AMEMBASSY GUATEMALA FRANKLY DISCUSS USG POSITION WITH APPLICANTS AND INFORM GOG OF OUR POSITION REGARDING ASYLUM IN NOVEMBER 3 MEETING.

4. HOWEVER, SHOULD POSSIBILITY OF FORCIBLE RETURN TO CUBA BECOME AN ISSUE EITHER IN HONDURAS OR GUATEMALA, RECONSIDERATION WOULD BE GIVEN TO THEIR REQUESTS. POSTS ARE REQUESTED TO KEEP DEPARTMENT ADVISED OF EVENTS AS THEY DEVELOP. ROBINSON

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